

REMARKS:

The examiner had noted that in the previous amendment, the claims had been mis-numbered as 35-50, when they should have actually been 36-51. The examiner has re-numbered the claims according to what they should be. The inventor accepts the re-numbering and bases this amendment on that re-numbering.

The claims for this invention include process claims 36-49 and product claims 50 and 51. The process claims consist of the master process claim 36 (which includes the process steps), and claims 37 - 49, which are dependent on claim 36.

The examiner has found that these two sets of claims compromise two separate inventions, as the process claims (36-49) could be used for purposes other than that stated in the product claims (50 and 51), and the product claims could be used for purposes other than that stated in the process claims.


By way of this amendment, the applicant selects invention group I, claims 36 - 49.

The claims 50, and 51, have been cancelled without prejudice, for later persecution in a divisional or other related application.

The examiner has noted that upon canceling claims, the inventorship of the application must be amended if one or more of the inventors is no longer an inventor of the remaining subject matter. However, the inventorship of this application need not be changed following this claim cancellation, since there is only one inventor.

The inventor apologizes for the previous claim numbering error.

Sincerely,



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